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SUBJECT: MEDIA REPORT U.S. AND EU UNDER FIRE; HARARE

[1](#)1. THE GOVERNMENT-CONTROLLED WEEKLY "CHRONICLE" DEDICATED  
ITS NOVEMBER 6 EDITORIAL TO DENOUNCE THE UNITED STATES  
AND THE EUROPEAN UNION FOR ALLEGEDLY "GANGING UP AGAINST  
ZIMBABWE." UNDER HEADLINE "GANGING UP AGAINST ZIMBABWE  
WON'T WORK," THE PAPER COMMENTS:

[1](#)2. "WHAT IS IT THAT ZIMBABWE HAS WHICH NECESSITATES THE  
PASSING OF A LAW BY A SUPER POWER, ATTRACTS THE  
ATTENTION OF A GROUPING OF RELATIVELY WELL-OFF EUROPEAN  
COUNTRIES AND MAKES ITS FORMER COLONIZER WANT TO SPONSOR  
AN OPPOSITION POLITICAL PARTY. . .? WHEN THE  
GOVERNMENT, THAT FOR CLOSE TO 15 YEARS WAS SHACKLED BY  
CONSTITUTIONAL CLAUSES THAT PREVENTED IT FROM RE-  
DISTRIBUTING LAND, FINALLY GETS DOWN TO BUSINESS, THE  
WHOLE WORLD NOW THINKS IT IS AN ISSUE WHICH DEMANDS  
THEIR ACTION. IF THERE WERE NO WHITES IN ZIMBABWE,  
WOULD THE U.S., AUSTRALIA AND CANADA DEAL WITH US WITH  
THE SAME ZEAL AS THEY ARE DISPLAYING NOW? WHILE BLACKS  
WERE DISPOSSESSED OF THEIR HERITAGE AND TRUDGED ON UNDER  
THE YOKE OF COLONIALISM FOR NEARLY A CENTURY, WHERE WERE  
THE CHAMPIONS OF 'RULE OF LAW' AND 'DEMOCRACY?' DID WE  
EVER HEAR OF AN ANTI-RHODESIAN DEMOCRACY BILL. . .?  
THERE ARE PROBLEMS IN MANY AFRICAN COUNTRIES, BUT JUST  
BECAUSE OF THE ABSENCE OF WHITES, THE ABC OF THE WORLD -  
AMERICA, BRITAIN, AND CANADA - DO NOT LIFT A FINGER.  
IF A PROBLEM INVOLVES BLACKS AGAINST BLACKS: IT DOES NOT  
WARRANT THE INTERVENTION OF THE EU, OR A PIECE OF  
LEGISLATION FROM THE U. S. CONGRESS. ZIMBABWE IS A  
SUCCESS STORY IN LAND REVOLUTION SO MUCH THAT THE WEST  
IS TRYING TO THROW SPANNERS INTO THE WORKS. . . ."

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